

Fingerprints on Door Not Kelley's, Expert Testifies

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 31. (UP)—Evidence tending to show that Mrs. Mellus was beaten in a downstairs room of her home and then dragged to an upstairs room where her nude body was found on a bed was introduced today in the trial of Leo P. Kelley, her butcher boy lover, accused of the murder.

A trail of blood spots from the maid's room in the lower part of the house to the woman's own room on the second floor was found after the murder, according to testimony of Rex Wells police chemist.

In the maid's room, he said, he also found a tuft of hair similar to Mrs. Mellus'.

Clad in pajamas, Mrs. Mellus met her lover Sunday morning, August 5, and a breakfast was served. Maggie Ferris, negro maid, told the court. She said the couple ate and drank while the husband, Frank Mellus, was on a fishing trip.

The couple embraced several times, the maid testified.

"Were there any drinks?" she was asked.

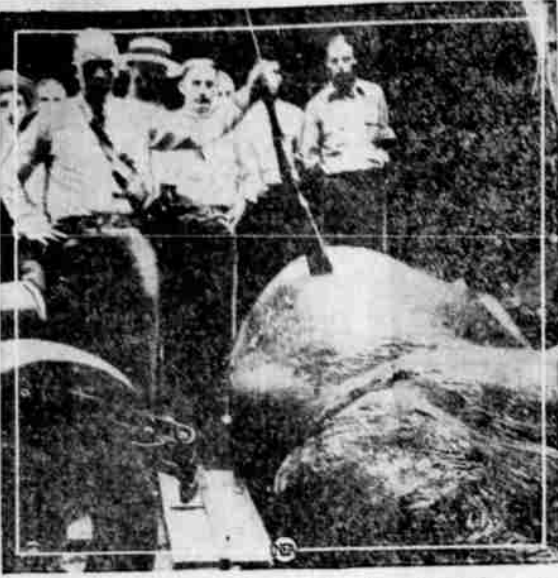
"Yes, Kelley served the drinks." Kelley and Mrs. Mellus and I each had a couple of drinks."

The maid left the home shortly after the breakfast and the body of Mrs. Mellus was found about 5:30 p. m. when the husband returned home. Kelley was found hiding in a closet.

The state failed to establish today that fingerprints on the three-cornered whiskey bottle, the supposed weapon with which Mrs. Mellus was killed, were those of the defendant.

Sergeant Howard Barlow, police fingerprint expert, was on the stand late today and testified that prints found on the door where Mrs. Mellus was believed to have been slain were not those of Kelley.

Elephant Slain in Busy Street



It looks like a bad year for the O. O. P., with elephants being shot down on busy streets. In Lewiston, Idaho, the other day five circus elephants bolted and ran wild through the town. One particularly big fellow crashed his way into a garage and was wrecking everything in sight when the mayor of Lewiston (shown above with gun) brought him down with a well-aimed shot.

Franco-British Pact Explained

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Cabinet members will celebrate Saturday the second anniversary of the present government. The celebration will be in the form of a luncheon at Premier Raymond Poincare's summer home.

"It is evident that public opinion in the United States has been based on the wrong ideas," M. Leygues continued. "There were differences existing since the war between the French naval policies."

Submitted to Powers

"The Washington accord settled only questions of air-plane carriers and battleships, but we were interested in other craft. Several conferences, including the one at Geneva, failed to reach an agreement acceptable to both England and France. I re-opened the question recently and we were able to reach a satisfactory conclusion through the excellent disposition of the British admiralty. Our own text of the agreement was accepted much to our satisfaction and the French superior council of National defense approved unanimously the agreement.

"After we submitted the text to interested powers through Foreign Minister Briand, we are awaiting replies from Washington, Rome, and Tokio, where undoubtedly the experts still are studying the compromise."

Loyal and Clear

"I understand, unofficially, however, that Japan is disposed to accept the agreement."

M. Leygues said that until the three governments reply to the note transmitting the treaty text, neither France nor England will make public the text of the compromise.

"But I assure the American public the agreement is loyal, clear and contains no clauses which will arouse Washington," he said.

Aimee to Stay in Los Angeles Until Suit Cleared Up

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 31 (UP)—Aimee Semple McPherson must postpone revival work in England until she has explained her part in a land deal at Lake Tahoe, Calif., it was decided today by the district attorney's office.

The noted evangelist was scheduled to leave Monday for the British Isles, but she will be "forced to remain here until this matter is straightened out," according to Deputy District Attorney Hugh McInane.

Accused Conspiracy

Mrs. McPherson was made co-defendant in a suit brought by Mrs. M. W. Paryear. The pastor of Congregy Temple was accused of conspiracy with real estate dealers to promote sale of land at Lake Tahoe, and it was alleged she used her pulpit in furtherance of the scheme, obtaining 10 per cent commissions.

A grand jury investigation of the deal will be made, it was announced, and the woman pastor will be called upon to face the inquisitorial group.

To Tell Story

It was forecast that Mrs. McPherson would be called to tell her story Wednesday and her attorney said she might then take an airplane to New York in order to catch her boat.

Prior to the announcement of the district attorney, Mrs. McPherson said she was going to leave on her trip Monday, "suit or no suit."

McInane tonight ordered seizure of all telegrams supposed to have been exchanged by Mrs. McPherson and promoters of the Tahoe tract.

The telegrams will be examined for evidence she was directly connected with the project, the deputy district attorney said.

Shaw-MacRae's Two Years Old

Today is the second anniversary of the opening of Shaw-MacRae's stationary store in this city and will be specially celebrated for the great growth the store has made.

Two years ago the little shop opened in a small store room at 629 Main street, where it thrived so rapidly that several months ago the proprietors knew their business warranted expansion.

Today the stationary shop is one of the most attractive stores on Main street and is located in the Drew building, which has been completely remodeled. A large floor space allows a wonderful display of articles and their neat but good-looking windows have drawn much comment.

Police Court Is Busy in August

During August 240 cases were tried in Judge Lem L. Gaglian's police court. "One of the heaviest months on record," he stated.

In the past six years 7144 cases have been tried in the police court. Arrests since January 1, 1927, by city police officers totaled 1531. Thursday night 10 men and one woman spent the night in the city jail, according to figures released yesterday.

Gaines Hangs for Daughter's Death

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the shores of Green Lake the next morning.

Two weeks later, after subsequent investigations, Gaines was formally charged with his daughter's death. At the trial, Louis Stern, a neighbor, testified that Gaines had confessed the murder to him. The state charged that Sylvia decided to leave home to escape her father's

alleged illicit affections and that Gaines had slain her while intoxicated.

A new trial was denied and he was scheduled to hang December 11, 1926. The case was appealed to the state supreme court and Gaines was found guilty. A rehearing was denied. After the case had been carried to the United States supreme court and lost, Gaines was sentenced again to hang on August 31, 1928.

Old newspapers for sale at the News office.

Council Changes Plans for Sewer

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Kennedy is to be wired immediately to be present at a conference meeting with the council before the plans are adopted. It is expected he will arrive sometime next week.

Kelley stated last night that many firms have written the city engineer's office asking for data on the project and all have stated they are willing to put up the necessary bond.

GUNMAN SHOT

DETROIT, Aug. 31. (UP)—Joseph Baxtashi, notorious gunman, was shot and killed today by three men who escaped in an automobile. Baxtashi was arrested here in 1924 following his escape from a Utah road camp where he was serving a life term for murder. He was returned to Utah but his sentence later was commuted.

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League Council to Invite U. S. Aid

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United States declaration because it concerns only the nations directly interested.

The general feeling here has been that the league would not consider it possible to become involved in the Monroe Doctrine because it is strictly an American affair.

May Answer Today

To satisfy Costa Rica's objections to inclusion of the Monroe Doctrine in the league covenant, however, the matter was discussed at a secret session today and reached an agreement which probably will be adopted as a reply Saturday. It was understood the council will point out that mentioning of the doctrine in the covenant does not add to or subtract from its force and attention will be called to President Wilson's interpretation as given San Salvador during the peace conference.

The council will plunge into the final work Saturday, preparing for the opening of the general league assembly Monday in one of the most interesting and important sessions of years—due to the fact that the representatives will assemble just a week after the signing of the Briand-Kellogg treaty in Paris.

Their action may have a decisive effect on the anti-war pact.

Women at Meet

Three fashionably dressed women who presented cards for admission to the league council meeting today caused an entirely foreign thrill to shoot through the chambers where dignity always has been the first commandment.

The women wore no stockings but they refused to heed the usher's attempts to keep them from the chamber.

Immediately all eyes were turned upon the stockingless legs and eyebrows were lifted here and there about the room. The discussion of opium traffic—which had been heated until that moment—suddenly lost much of its intensity.

Later, the council members were informed that the secretary had issued orders forbidding women to come to the league buildings barelegged, but that the heat had caused society leaders at Geneva to adopt the stocking-less mode.

Mexican Solons To Choose Head

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Gov. Manuel Perez Trevino of the state of Coahuila and a former minister of industry, has been prominently mentioned as successor to Calles. Another candidate with a strong following is General Jose Gonzale Escobar, chief of operation in Torreón.

It is understood Trevino has the backing of a large section of the Obregonista party, which probably would make him a favorable choice.

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